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MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 31, 2023

TO: Intermediate School District Superintendents
Great Start Collaborative Directors

FROM: Dr. Michele A. Harmala, Deputy Superintendent
P-20 System and Student Transitions 

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2023-24 Section 32p and 32p(6) Allocations

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) Office of Great Start (OGS)/Early Childhood Development and Family Education (ECD&FE) is pleased to announce [Public Act 103 of 2023](#) (pages 72 and 73) Section 32p and 32p(6) final allocations.

You may review the intermediate school districts' Fiscal Year 2023-24 (FY24) Section 32p and 32p(6) allocations here: [FY2023-24 Section 32p and 32p\(6\) Allocations](#). For FY24, Michigan's 54 Great Start Collaboratives (GSCs) and 61 Great Start Family Coalitions (GSFCs) will utilize \$15.9 million for Section 32p and \$4 million for Section 32p(6) in state school aid funding, which will be distributed using the approved formula. The allocations are based on the funding formula for equitable distribution of funds.

The FY24 state School Aid budget provided great investments and increased early childhood education allocations, including an additional \$5 million in funding for Section 32p. These funds will support systems building projects identified within each local GSC strategic plan. The FY24 formula distribution requires that a minimum of \$225,000 of the allocation be designated for the core systems building function of GSCs/GSFCs.

New funding specific to 32p(6) provides an additional base funding allocation of \$45,000 for each GSC/GSFC and is designated for literacy program implementation. MDE/OGS reserves the right to disallow fund usage for expenditures for items deemed not reasonable or cost-effective.

Grant implementation works to expand early childhood learning opportunities connected to [Michigan's Top 10 Strategic Education Plan](#) and the [Michigan Early Childhood Collective Action Plan](#) and must be designed to contribute to achieving [Michigan's four early childhood outcomes](#) as described by the Michigan Department of Education – Early Learners and Care.

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With respect to carryover, [Section 32p Subsection 7](#) (page 73) outlines the amount of funding each GSC/GSFC can carry over into the next fiscal year. In FY24, carryover funds are capped at 15 percent. Funds unexpended at the end of the fiscal year in excess of the cap amounts will be recovered by MDE/OGS by September 30 of the following fiscal year.

The OGS/ECD&FE staff will send additional communications directly to the GSC point of contact regarding completion of the FY2023-24 Section 32p grants application in NexSys to ensure submission is received no later than September 15, 2023.

Please direct questions regarding the Section 32p grants application to the office of Early Childhood Development and Family Education Director Jonnie Taton at tatonj2@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance
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